

The Week Ahead

<b>Sunday, November 29</b> First Sunday of Advent 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM Weavers of the Cloth Craft Sale <b>8:45 AM WORSHIP</b> 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM 30th Anniversary Committee <b>10:00 AM - 11:00 AM NO Sunday School</b> <b>11:15 AM WORSHIP</b> 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Centro Cristiano 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Advent Night 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Cleaners	<b>Thursday, December 3</b> 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Women's "Gospel of John" 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 203 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Centro Cristiano 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Crown Financial Class 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Worship Team <b>Friday, December 4</b> 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Sylvan Meeting 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM HeartCraft Handicrafts - Set-up <b>Saturday, December 5</b> 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM HeartCraft Handicrafts - Sale 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM Worship "Pray & Prep" <b>5:30 PM - 6:15 PM WORSHIP</b> 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Cleaners <b>Sunday, December 6</b> 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM HeartCraft Handicrafts - Sale 8:45 AM WORSHIP 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM OUR Center Lunch 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Tryouts for "Liberty Al Fresco" 11:15 AM WORSHIP 12:15 PM - 1:00 PM Budget Hearing for 2010 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Centro Cristiano Church 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Cleaners
<b>Monday, November 30</b> 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Girl Scouts Troop #150 <b>Tuesday, December 1</b> 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Men's "Exodus" Study 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Knitters & Crocheters 12:30 PM - 1:15 PM "Office" Staff Meeting 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Staff Meeting 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Girl Scouts - Troop 2081 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Boy Scouts 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Centro Cristiano 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Executive Committee <b>Wednesday, December 2</b> 6:30 AM - 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM Library Book Shelving 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM H.S. - reFuge 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM Wednesday Night Dinners 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Confirmation, WNL, Sisters in Christ 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Men's Evening Bible Study 7:15 PM - 8:30 PM Choir Rehearsal <b>7:15 PM - 7:30 PM Youth Led Worship</b> 8:30 PM - 10:00 PM Cleaners	

**WORSHIP SERVANTS**

Servant Position	Saturday 5:30 PM	Sunday 8:45 AM	Sunday 11:15 AM
<b>Greeters</b>	Mike and Lisa Smith	Peggy McDonald Linda Kepler	Ewald and Kathe Schelert
<b>Head Ushers</b>	Mike and Lisa Smith	Paul and Natalie James	Gordy Wallace
<b>Ushers</b>	Mike and Lisa Smith	The Krantz Men	Jeff Bladt and Mark Flowers
<b>Lector</b>	Lisa Smith	Diane Broestl	Jody McClurkin
<b>Communion Preparation</b>	Mike and Lisa Smith	Ed and Ethel Owens	
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Mike and Lisa Smith	Joel and Joan Schell Marvin and Joyce Heimbichner	Steve and Elisabeth Phelan Gary and Gloria Borchert
<b>Communion Clean-Up</b>			Chris Goble
<b>VPU</b>	Stacia Keller	Stacia Keller	Eric Phelan
<b>Sound</b>	Kathy Griffiee	Kathy Griffiee	Kathy Griffiee
<b>Acolyte</b>		Kendra O'Brien	Nick Olson
<b>Children's Church Assistant</b>			Nanette Goings Kendra O'Brien
<b>Nursery</b>		Evan and Joni Oldroyd	Cody and Mindy Gratny
<b>Office Volunteer</b>	Pat Galyardt		

Worship Services

Saturday 5:30 PM  
Sunday 8:45 AM & 11:15 AM

Christian Education

Sunday School for all ages  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM  
(Closed 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)

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**November 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2009**  
**Advent 1**

*Jesus Tells Us to Watch for Signs*

In today's Gospel lesson, Jesus tells us to watch for signs of the coming judgment. St. John quotes Jesus as saying, *"When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, 'It's going to rain,' and it does. And when the south wind blows, you say, 'It's going to be hot,' and it is. Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and the sky. How is it that you don't know how to interpret this present time?"*

Yes, the end is coming. We know it. We see it. Each time we meet, we say we believe that *"[Jesus] shall come to judge the living and the dead."* We confess our sins and are assured of forgiveness. Forgiven, we are free from the burden of sin - free to do His will today and also free to stand before His throne of grace with confidence.

As I read the Psalm for today, I was reminded of an old story. It seems there was a nun who talked with God. Someone told her bishop, and he, full of suspicion, asked her for proof. To verify the truth of her discussions with God, he said, *"Ask God to tell you the worst sin I ever confessed."* The nun agreed, and a few days later, the bishop asked if God had told her of his worst sin. She replied, *"He said He forgot."* *"Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for you are good, O Lord."* (Psalm 25:7)

The psalmist calls God the Lord of Righteousness. And he pleads, *"show me Your ways, O Lord, teach me Your paths; guide me in Your truth and teach me, for You are God my Savior, and my hope is in You all day long."* Each time we meet, we ask the Lord to forgive us and teach us His will. And we pray that we will be renewed in this life and prepared for the judgment to come.

*I'm forgiven, transformed and free,  
to be what You want me to be.  
Teach me the way  
to walk every day.  
Reveal Your presence in all that I see.*

-Miles Olson

# Prayer Concerns

Let us know how we can pray for you. Call the office 303-776-8771.



- † Jody McClurkin—recovering at home from kidney stones.
- † Mike and Mark Cousins—on the death of their father, Jack, on November 14.
- † Horst & Brigitte Hennig—prayers of thanksgiving as their grandson Nicholas Hennig has returned from harms way in Iraq; he will be discharged at the end of November.
- † Roger Rankin—recovering from a fall on November 12.
- † Jeff Brunkow—recovering from hernia surgery November 9.
- † Irene Rankin—recovering from knee replacement surgery on November 4.
- † Diane Vanderpool—recovering from knee replacement surgery on November 2.
- † Alicia Stover—for God’s peace & comfort on the death of her husband, Mike, on October 28.
- † Donna Koehler—on the death of her father on October 25.
- † Allen Clauson—infection of the leg; moved to Life Care Center on November 4.
- † Keith & Hanorah Anderson—Keith is recovering from open heart surgery on September 14.
- † Alice Cuba—recovering from back pain.
- † For those in our FCLC family—who have lost jobs.
- † Jon Prout, Eric Smith, Zack Morton, Brandon Lockwood, Ian McCormick, Matthew Parker, Jared Adams, Chris Hassa, Robb Kammerzell, Brent Davis, Ryan Moore, and Ramee Oppertude—FCLC members and relatives of members in US military forces: for God’s protection; strength for body, mind, and soul.
- † Matt Brents—in Iraq on a one-year civilian contract: for his safety and God’s peace.

## The following families who are battling cancer and its effects:

- † Ken Lowry—battling B-cell non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; last chemo treatment was Nov. 16.
- † Liz & Allen Schaff family—Liz’ father is seriously ill with cancer.
- † Jeff & Kim Bonds family—Jeff’s brother, Jerry, battling Multiple Myeloma.
- † Kathy Cook—for strength and peace for her mother, Eilene, who has lung cancer.
- † Sharon Kirby-Cole—her son, DJ, battling terminal cancer.
- Blue indicates new or change in prayer request.

**Prayer-chain**—If you would like to join the prayer-chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact us at [prayer-chain@fclcl.org](mailto:prayer-chain@fclcl.org). You must subscribe to the prayer-chain *before* you can post your own prayer requests. If you do not belong to the prayer-chain and have a prayer concern, please call the church office 303-776-8771 or Marsha Tollefson at 303-651-2354; your prayer request will be posted.

## Scriptures for December 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Second Sunday in Advent:

**First Lesson:** Malachi 3:1-4      **Second Lesson:** Philippians 1:3-11  
**Psalms** 85:8-13      **Holy Gospel:** Luke 3:1-6

## Welcome, Guests!

We are grateful that you have come to worship this evening.

We welcome little children as we worship! In respect for others, you may leave your child(ren) in our well-equipped, staffed nursery during the service. Our speaker system provides excellent audio of the service in the Narthex and nursery.  
—Thank you



# The Celebration of Worship at Faith Community Lutheran

Before worship, talk to God. During worship, let God talk to you.  
After worship, talk to your fellow worshiper.

**Here at Faith Community Lutheran...**We almost always follow the traditional order of worship familiar to most Lutherans, but usually our services are a “blend” of old and new music. As Lutherans, we view ourselves as a church of “Word & Sacrament.” Therefore, “God’s Word” is held in high esteem as we follow lessons and sermon with our Bibles open. FCLC is among a growing number of Lutheran Churches committed to celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion every week.

## Gathering

Gathering Music		Time for Prayer and Meditation
Welcome		Pastor Dan
Opening Hymn		“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”
Apostolic Greeting, Confession & Forgiveness		
† Song of Praise		“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”
Lighting of the Advent Candle	8:45	Paul & Kirsten Gjeldel-Bennett family
	11:15	Diana and Shania Phelan
Prayer of the Day		

## Word

First Lesson		Jeremiah 33:14-16, p. 1139
Psalms		25, p. 779
Second Lesson		1 Thessalonians 3:9-13, p. 1697
† Gospel Verse		“Breathe”
The Holy Gospel		Luke 21:25-36, p. 1514
The Hand of Peace		We invite you to learn new names.
† Children’s Message		Pastor Dan
The Sermon		Ed Broestl, Diaconal Minister
Hymn of Response		“Just As I Am”
Statement of Faith		Apostles’ Creed
Tithes & Offerings		“I Will Sing”
Offertory	Women of Faith	“Seek Ye First”
Prayers		Worshipers are invited to share their prayers.

## Meal

Words of Institution		The Lord’s Prayer
Sacrament of Holy Communion		
	“Wonderful, Merciful Savior,” “Lullay Alleluia,” “Jesus, Draw Me Close,” “Redeemer, Savior, Friend,” “Abide With Me,” “Just As I Am”	

## Sending

Post-Communion Blessing		“Soon and Very Soon”
Closing Hymn		“Go in Peace, Serve the Lord...”
Dismissal		“Rise Up and Praise Him”
Postlude		

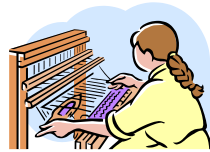
If you desire prayer support, two Stephen Ministers will be available at the front of the Sanctuary.

## Confirmation students:

What are some ways in which Advent prepares us for Christmas?

## Weavers of the Cloth Craft Sale

**Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**8:30 AM to 12:30 PM**  
Fellowship Hall



Purchase inexpensive hand-crafted Christmas gifts for every member of your family! 100% of craft sale proceeds this year will go to help defray medical costs incurred by the Stovers - for Mike's treatment of Leukemia and bone marrow transplant.

If you would like to contribute hand-crafted items for this sale, please contact Nanette at [nanette@fclc.org](mailto:nanette@fclc.org).

### Advent Night

Prepare for Christmas by commemorating the season of Advent! Come join us for the annual tradition of ADVENT NIGHT on **Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**, from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. Scripture readings, Christmas music, decorating FCLC's Christmas tree, craft activities and Christmas edibles for all ages comprise this evening to focus on the true meaning of the Advent and Christmas seasons!



### Do You Like Eating Breakfast? Especially when You Don't Have to Cook?



**Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM**

Then, have we got a deal for you...the FCLC Youth Group has teamed up with Applebee's to offer you an "All-you-can-eat pancake breakfast"; this includes **pancakes, sausage and drink**, all for just **\$7.00!**

Bring your family, friends and neighbors and let us serve you a GREAT Breakfast. Help support our youth as they prepare for their mission trip to serve the community of Parsons, KS next summer. Proceeds help us get one step closer to Kansas.

Our Youth will be selling tickets at the Welcome Center after each service.

### Our Annual Budget Hearing

**Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 AM and 12:15 PM in the Sanctuary.**  
This is an opportunity for you to give input on the proposed 2010 Budget.

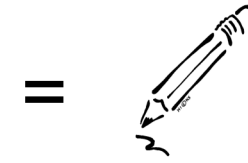


## **HeartCraft**

**Handicraft Sale**  
Faith Community Lutheran Church  
Saturday Dec 5, 9:00 AM to 7 PM and  
Sunday Dec. 6, 8:30AM to 1:30PM

**Unique, handcrafted gifts  
from around the world  
that make a difference**

HeartCraft needs volunteers to help set-up on Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup> and to tear down after the 11:15 AM service Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in helping, please contact Janelle at [Janelle@fclc.org](mailto:Janelle@fclc.org), 303-776-8771. Thanks!



## **Poinsettias for Pencils!**

Interested in purchasing a poinsettia or two for the Sanctuary during the Christmas season?

FCLC's Sunday schoolers will be participating in a January service project to purchase much needed school supplies for children in tsunami devastated Samoa. **Money raised from poinsettia sales will help fund shipping costs of these school supplies.**

Order your poinsettias by December 13<sup>th</sup>!

\_\_\_\_\_Medium poinsettia plant (6 ½" pot) \$10 each

\_\_\_\_\_Large poinsettia plant (8 ½" pot) \$20 each

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please make checks payable to FCLC. **Place checks and order forms in FCLC mailbox #61**)

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Poinsettias will be delivered by Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. Please feel free to take home the poinsettias you ordered after the last Christmas Eve service.

### Christmas Decorating Party!

Please join us Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 to decorate the float for the Longmont Holiday parade AND for the church! There will be cider, carols and lots of fun decorating! We are looking for donations of white indoor/outdoor lights to add to our decorations! "Icicle" style lights are also welcome! Contact: Dawn Baas at [Dawn@fclc.org](mailto:Dawn@fclc.org).



Dear Faith Family,

I am looking for volunteers who would be able to serve in the nursery during any of the Christmas Eve services. The times of the services are: 2:30 PM, 4:15 PM, 6:00 PM, 7:45 PM

Please contact me at [nboguess01@hotmail.com](mailto:nboguess01@hotmail.com) or 303-823-8683 as soon as possible if you would be willing to help. Your service to our church is greatly appreciated!!

Natalie Boguess